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For: A NUCLEIC ACID WHICH IS UPREGULATED IN HUMAN TUMOR CELLS, A PROTEIN ENCODED THEREBY AND A PROCESS FOR TUMOR DIAGNOSIS

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Nutley, New Jersey 07110 August 21, 2003

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

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Introductory Comments:

This paper is submitted in response to the office action mailed April 21, 2003. A response to this Office Action was originally due July 21, 2003. A one-month extension of time is being requested concurrently. Accordingly, a response to this Office Action is now due August 21, 2003.

Please reconsider the office actions in view of the following amendment and remarks.

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